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THE HOSPITAL COLLAPSED

the Partition Walls of the County Hospital Fell in, Ruining the Furniture

Last Tuesday evening the partition walls of the county hospital collapsed, ruining all the furniture in the building. No one was injured, for the inmates saw the walls were crumbling and would soon fall, and all were able to get safely out of the building.

It is believed that the walls erumbled from the effects of a Belva Birdno. gopher hole underneath the building. The walls are constructed of and Louis Lewis. adobe and there is a ditch running near it. It is thought that gophers Gladys Spaulding, Annie Johnson, had dug boles from the ditch un- Annie Jacobson and Ruth King. der the house and that the water had reached the walls, causing Jaime. them to crumble.

Chairman Olney went to Solomonville Wednesday and rented Beebe. snother building in which the patients can be taken care of. It is thought that the old hospital Christmas Tree for can be repaired as the outside walls are all right and the roof still in place.

Heavy Sales

Schools Close

The district schools close this tival Christmas night. afternoon for the holidays, and

son to Wichita, Kan., and Miss BACK TAX BOOK MADE UP Lynch, J. W.; Z. C. Prina, treas-Boon to Silver City, N. M. Following is the program to be

rendered this afternoon: Song-School. Piano solo-Mildred Birdno.

"Christmas in Old England"-Willie King. Violin solo-Alice Morris; ac ompanist, Gladys Dunlap.

Recitation-Ruby Barry. Recitation-Bruce McLaughlin. Vocal solo-Myra Young. Song-School

Recitation, "The Night Before Christmas" Jessie Hopkins. Recitation, "The Night After Christmas"-Kathleen Anderson. Trio, "Mistress Santa Claus"-

Lillian Freeman, Eunice Shafer, Violin duet-Blanche Birduo

Dialogue- Bernice Anderson, Spanish song-Rita and Sarah

Recitation -Albert Spaulding. Duet-Jessie Birdno and Deila Song-School.

Layton Chrildren

Of Fine Apples

Fay Montierth, has been laboring 30th. The play is full of mirth, Journal—Fred Phillips, John to prepare a Christmas festival for wit and pathos, and is one of the Brown, G. L. Young, Prof. Yeother Layton Sunday school and strongest presentations of western mans. the affair promises to be a great life ever written. The east of sale of the last of his crop of apples for the present season this were appointed a sub-committee. Tom Logan, John J. Birdno: week. He has an apple orchard to solicit funds for the tree, and Jem Mason, R W. Smith; Fred. of about fifty acres and sprayed through their energetic and gra- rick Armsdale, M W Jones; Mose all the trees once or more during clous efforts, a large sum was soon Jones, Paul Adams; Limpy Morthe season, thus keeping out the obtained. The tree will be un gan, Edna Layton; Edward Brown and the smoke was noticed issuing fore a jury. Uptain and Campbell worms to a great degree, He loaded Christmas eve and as the and Gov. Markham, L. G. Pace; from a hole in the roof by Cash raised from 25,000 to 30,000 pounds presents will be of the most beau. Samuel Morgan and Mike Corriof apples, which returned an aver tiful and valuable character, it is age of about three cents per pound. safe to say many a little heart will and Deputy Warden Weston, Joe The apples were ail of an excellent be made glad. The public gener- Phillips; Samantha Logan, Jose quality, and found a ready market. ally is invited to attend the party. and all children will be supplied

with presents. The Baptist Sunday school for the Holidays. children will be treated to a fee-

The children of the Methodist will reopen Jan. 6th. Several of church will be given a Christmas the teachers will spend Christmas | feast at the church next Tuesday at their old homes, Prof. Yeomans evening. A programme of music going to Halstead, Kan., Miss Mat- will be rendered.

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Is Still Doing Business

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J. D. Lee, Cashier.

Of Interest to Farmers

No man in the valley who raises anything to sell will deny that our business is necessary to the prosperity of the valley. Still, there are many people who are benefitted by us, who in turn never give us any business to enable us to keep on giving our time to finding a market for the products of the valley. We work for the entire valley and never see a dollar of money from some people. Show us another house in Safford that gives their time to handling your products Again, such houses as Sears, Robuck & Co. never did and never will help you in any way. Suppose we leave it to them and other houses in Safford to bandle your products; how much will you sell after six months. The fact that my time is taken up outside my store is the main cause of the present trouble. Can you expect a man to continue to work for your interests while you give others preference at equal prices and in most cases pay more than you would pay us for the same goods.

We know it is to your interest to help the man who helps you You know it too but still you do more for the man who does not help you at all than one that every one is interested in.

We always work for good prices for valley products and no man can say we sven our under. Can any one else say as much. If so who is to blame for hay now being sold at \$10.50, nor us, we are now and have all along gotten \$13. If you see the point see us and tell us you are going to help the man who helps you.

Property Net Paid on Has Been Placed on the Back Tax Book

County Treasurer Clark has completed the back tax book and all property upon which the taxes have not been paid bas been en tered and is now delinquent. Up on all of this property the statu tory penalty will be added.

Considering the scarcity of mon ey and the difficulty of disposing of produce, the delinquent list is exceedingly light. The total amount delinquent is just \$11,052 Nearly all of this will have been paid by January 1st.

"Human Hearts" By Local Talent

The Arizona Dramatic Club is preparing to present the pleasing Streets"-Willie Houck ford, Thatcher and Pima during Thorstensen. the holiday season: The play has been well east and promises to be an interesting dramatic Ground" .- Club. event. The dates are announced A committee consisting of Mrs as follows: Thatcher, Christmas 1830"-Miss Alberta Colton. A. Perkins, Mrs. Anton E. Jacob eve; Safford, Saturday night, Dec. "The Internation, Mrs. Fred Jacobson and Miss 28th; Pima, Monday night, Dec. I. Paxton.

Masons to Install New Officers

The Masonic lodge and order of the Eastern Star will hold a joint installation of officers and banquet at the lodge hall on Friday evening, December 27th. Elaborate preparations are being made for

the event, and it promises to be impressive and enjoyable. The following committees have been elected to arrange for the urday.

Masons-A. R. Lynch, Lee N Stratton, T. T. Swift and Petar

Eastern Star-Mrs. T. S. Bunch, Irs, George Olney, Mrs Katie Jennings, Mrs. C. T. Reynolds

fficers to be installed:

urer; T. S. Bunch, secretary

Eastern Star-Miss Margaret Robinson, W. M.; Mrs Z. C. Priva, Taxes Are New Delinquent and All A M.; Miss May Dowdle, conductress; Mrs. Kate Jennings, as sociate conductress; Mrs. George Olney, secretary; Mrs. T. S. Bunch, treasurer.

Programme for Literary Society

Following is the programme to be given by the Safford Social and Literary Club at the home of Prof. and Mrs W. R. Rhonds, Friday evening, December 20th:

Song, "Suwance River,"-Club Answer to roll call by quota-

Five minute talks or papers. "My Trip to the Territoria! Fair"-Miss Westerman "Views from the Postoffice"-Miss Mary Houck.

"Changes I Have Seen in Saf ford"-Mrs. W. R. Rhoads. Song, "Old Black Joe" -Club "An Incident I Saw on the

drama, "Human Hearts", at Saf- | "Our Last Pienie"-Miss Ada

Reading-Albert Ringer. Song-"Massa's in de Cold, Cold

"The History of a Dime Dated "The Influence of Money"-U.

Small Alarm at

Bank of Saftord

ier Dunlap early yesterday morn- claimed to be due them for sinkgan, Lon Matthews; Herbert Shaw ing. Investigation disclosed the ing a well on the Lou Riggs place. fact that there was no fire, and The jury returned a verdict in Cluff; Ruth Larkins, Vina Lee; A number of firemen were quickly and costs of court. The defense Little Grace Logan, Mona Smith; on hand with the fire wagon but made a motion for a new trial, were not needed

News of the

Indian Springs

Judge McFarland spent Sunday at the Springs.

While cleaning out the lake last week, Manager Andy Alexander unearthed a soft shell turtle and hundreds of different kinds of fish Elmore Hyde, of THE GUARDIAN job department, was a visitor Sat-

Strange Succession

Following are the names of the playing basket ball Wednesday, This they have succeeded in doing Masons-F. T. Patterson, W. the eye and it is feared removal of M.; H. J. Dowdle, S. W.; A. R. the eye-ball will now be necessary

CHRISTMAS CANDIES

SPECIAL

Fine Diamond Mixed Candy, 6 1-2 lbs for \$1.00 Fine Star Mixed Candy, 6 1-2 lbs for

> Bishop's Celebrated

RUBIDOUX CHOCOLATES

In Fancy Boxes Suitable for Presents, 30c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.50

ARIZONA ORANGES, BANANAS, NUTS

IN THE JUSTICE COURT

Two Cases of Considerable Imperiance--One Criminal and One Civil--Both Jury Trials

The case against Herman Lang, charged by Will Freeman, with shooting a yearling, was called in Justice Fonda's court last Friday, and tried before a jury. The jury failed to agree and was discharged. Another jury was summoned and the case again tried the next day. bees and that his large colony is This time the jury acquitted the defendant.

While there were no eye-witnesses to the killing of the yearling, the prosecution proved by several witnesses that a number of shots were fired near Mr. Lang's house after dark on the night of December 10th, that after one of the shots a calf was heard to bawl as though it had been hurt. That number of Freeman's cattle were in Lang's field and that the next morning the yearling was found dead in his field with two charges of buck shot in its body.

Mr. Lang testified that he fired three shots on the night referred to, but that they were at wild varments; that he stood close to the house when he fired these shots and that he saw no cattle. His testimony was corroborated by Mr. Marshal, who was staying at Lang's house, except that he did not go out of the house with bim

A defective flue at the bank of On Wednesday the case of King. Safford allowed the smoke from Uptain and Geo. Campbell against were sning the road for \$212 the trouble was quickly remedied. favor of the plaintiffs for \$100 which was not true.

Wiley E. Jones represented the company and W. K. Dial represented Uptain and Campbell.

First National

To Re-open The pleasing news has been re-

seived here that the First Nation al bank of Globe will reopen its doors and be ready for business on Feb. 1st.

Ever since the bank was closed by the bank examiner, President Porter and all the directors have been the busiest men in this sec-Of Accidents tion of the country in their efforts Some time ago a little daughter to get things in shape so that the of Dr. and Mrs. Sweet of Pima, bank could again open and do was struck in the eye by a base business, meeting all of its obligaball, and lost her sight. While tions with 100 cents on the dollar. she sustained another accident to and the bank will resume business.

> Decorate the walls of your home with a few nice pictures, a nice variety of which you will find at the Gila Valley Forn. Co. 1t

Hats

To meet the hard times half way, I am going to sacrifice prices and will begin by selling all Hats in my Store at a reduction of 331/3 per cent.

All shoes t'a reduction of o per cent.

J. L. WILKINS THATCHER.

LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Elegant line of ladies' belts and ags, suitable for Christmas presents at the El Paso Store. Mrs. E. W. Clayton of Solomon-

ville, is visiting with her mother in Los Aageles. Dr. Belt left for Morenci Mondey, where he will open a dental

parlor for a few weeks. Mr. George L. Young of this city is an old time publisher and

conducted newspapers very sug cessfully in Texas. Mr. C. E. Finch reports that the present is an excellent season for

flourishing. Wm, Kirtland has a new aparatus in which to shoe unruly large number of valuable curios. lorses. It is a safe contrivance shoer. He also has a saw sharp

The El Paso Store. Will Dial went to Clifton last

Saturday. Chickens wanted. Highest prices

S. R. McAlexander. Mr. Posey has begun the erection of a two room house on his lot near the creamery, and has al-

ready contracted to rent the structure at a good price. Mr. Fletcher Merrill, who is imployed at the Empire mine at Johnsonville, Arizona, is visiting

with his relatives in this valley during the holidays. Miss Angie Robinson returned from a visit to the City of Mexico last Friday. Miss Robinson went to the Mexican capital to visit

some friends and returned with a

is which the horse is placed and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Crosby, he cannot burt himself or the Jr., and the twins were in town Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Crosby. from Thatcher Monday to obtain ener that is a dandy for sharpen | medical aid for one of the latter. ing band or butchers' saws, A saw which has been ill lately. The can be sharpened absolutely true pair are a beautiful little couple in ten minutes that would take and we hope the little one will two hours to accomplish by hand, soon regain complete health.

Pay Your Taxes

-AT THE-

Solomonville, Arizona

A SPLENDID ARRAY

oliday Goods

Has arrived and is now on sale at my Store. Hundreds of beautiful presents, suitable for every member of the family, from the baby to grandma

Look at This List of Bargains

prices.

for presents.

Choice Presents

I have just received a large and beautiful assortment of handsome chipaware, including

Cups and saucers, Baskets, Card trays,

Jewel trays, and many other beautiful objects ach one of which contains a view of local scenes, including Mt. Graham, Safford school, Thatcher church, etc.

I also have a fine display of nineral novelties, Armadilto baskets, agate jewel novelties, etc. In fact, if you wish any ideas tor holiday presents, be sure and ome to my store.

Gold Goods.

Gold and gold filled watches, A very fine stock of rings, Diamond Rings, studs brooches

Genuine diamonds from \$28 to Bracelets, gold filled, from \$1

abwards. Ladies and gents' collar and cuff sets.

Chinaware

Handsome china fruit, tea and

and nice, your choice, 25 cents Silverware.

Toilef sets, solid silver. Stationery sets, solid silver. Fine knives and forks, \$5 per et upwards-

Glassware

Genuine cut glass, no imitation,

highest grade. Saind bowls, \$5 to

Handsome glass tea sets at all

Novelties

Novelties of all kinds suitable '

Nut cracker sets, in great va-

Safford souvenirs, numerous

\$10. Water sets, \$12 to \$25.

Teaspoons, good quality, \$1.75 per set and upwards. Toilet articles, shaving sets, card receivers, jewel cases, cigar holders and numerous other handsome

Full set of knives, forks and spoons. \$9 and up.

Burnt Leather Goods

Music bags. Hand bags. Table covers. Picture frames.